

REMARKS

This amendment is submitted in response to the Examiner's Ex Parte Quayle action which closed prosecution on the merits, except for the formal matters addressed therein. By the present amendment, the application is now in condition for allowance. An early indication of the same would be greatly appreciated.

PRIORITY DOCUMENTS

Applicants acknowledge and thank the Examiner for the acknowledgment of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119, and further thank the Examiner for the acknowledgment of all the necessary priority documents as shown in the Office Action dated October 6, 2005.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Applicants acknowledge and thank the Examiner for the careful consideration of all of the References listed in the Information Disclosure Statements filed August 27, 2003 and February 28, 2005.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-22 are allowed in connection with the present application. As all the minor informalities indicated by the Examiner have been corrected by the present response, withdrawal of all of the outstanding objections and allowance of claims 1-22 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

In reply to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, provided with the Ex Parte Quayle Office Action dated October 6, 2005, Applicants submit the following comments.

The Examiner offers reasons why the claims of the present application are allowable over the prior art of record. Although Applicants agree that the various claim limitations mentioned in the claims are not taught or suggested by the prior art taken either signally or in combination, Applicants wish to emphasize that it is the language of each claim, including the inter-relationships and inter-connections between various claimed elements which is allowable over the prior art of record, and not the Examiner's paraphrasing of the claim features.

SPECIFICATION OBJECTIONS

The Office Action objected to portions of the Specification. With respect to items a-b, Applicants have amended the Specification to remove these inconsistencies and overcome the objections. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objections to the Specification.

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-22 are pending the present application. Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the minor clarifying amendment made to independent claim 22, line 6, to replace the term "cachen" with "cache" as requested by the outstanding Office Action. Therefore, allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the objections and rejections and allowance of each of claims 1-22 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

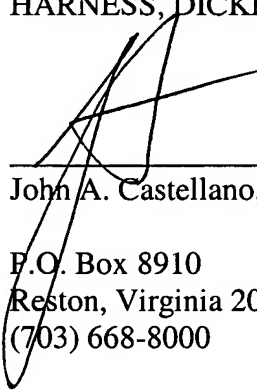
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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